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## Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting, Thursday March 24, 2016

Sue White opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge. Sue reviewed the previous meeting minutes. She asked if there were any corrections or additions. Roger moved to accept the previous meeting minutes. John seconded. RCV: Roger – yes; John – yes; Sue – yes. Present: Trustees Sue White, Roger Klodt, John Lampe, FO Mary Rodenbucher, W. Eversole, E. Myrla, D. Rice, V. McKay, R. Nichols, J. Happel, L. Klodt, R. Huth, D. Mangold

**Old Business**

John spoke to a few people but not sure if it can be enforced. He will contact the state and another community for input.

Sue received good feedback from Rep. Renacci on the “Too Good For Drugs” program. Sue will keep in contact with his office for input and to get the best bang for the buck. Sue stated that she and Mary attending a dinner with Lt Gov. Mary Taylor. Her assistant gave Sue her card and is interested in assisting with this program. Sue reported that there were two overdoses in the past week. Sue urges that parents talk to their children about drugs.

**New Business**

Sue spoke about the township paying for travel expenses for conferences. Sue made a motion to pay for travel expenses for conferences and training. Roger seconded. Discussion: Roger stated that we dispensed paying for most travel expenses as a cost cutting measure. Roger stated that there is much good information at conferences. Roger also stated that Mary is required to attend training per the Fiscal Officer Integrity Act. Mary asked if it is retroactive to include her training earlier this month. The trustees responded yes. RCV: Roger – yes; John – yes; Sue – yes

Sue commended Roger and the RFD on the Easter Egg Hunt. She heard people compliment on this community event. It takes a lot of work and it is appreciated. Roger thanked every member of the fire department for all their work to make this happen.

Mary reported that the Local Government Officials Conference was very informative. She encouraged the trustees to attend the conference in the future.

Mary requested a motion to repay the General Fund for the \$15,000 advance that was made to the EMS fund. Roger so moved. Sue seconded. RCV: Roger – yes; John – yes; Sue – yes.

Sue brought up for discussion the SC/CC/TH parking lot. Sue is concerned about damage to our parking lot as the new Ford store is built. Roger stated that the target completion date is December. That would prevent us from repairing the parking lot. Roger stated that some of the Ford deliveries are dropped off at the Chevy location. Roger asked Larry for his input. Larry stated that we did not have a bad freeze this year but cannot predict the level of deterioration over the next few months. Sue asked Roger to talk to John about our concerns. Roger will get an update for the next meeting.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 50 – 61 totaling \$442,777.85 and to pay warrants 37021 – 37053 and EFTs/Vouchers 120 – 151 totaling \$36,840.47. Sue so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Roger – yes; John – yes; Sue – yes.

Larry presented the Road Report. Larry reported on road and building maintenance. Larry is working on the 2016 Safety Sign Grant. About 85% of all our road signs would be eligible for replacement with the new hi-reflectivity signs. Larry requested to advertise for bids for road materials for our chip and seal program. He suggested opening bids at our next meeting. Sue so moved. Roger seconded. Discussion: Larry gave Mary the information. He will discuss with her funding to determine how much road maintenance can be done this year. RCV: Roger – yes; John – yes; Sue – yes.

Larry spoke to Bill Steiner regarding the township scrap day. It will be held on Saturday, May 7 from 8 – 12. Larry requested that all winter decorations be removed from the cemeteries by April 2, 2016. There were five funerals this past week for a year-to-date total of eight.



Erin presented the Zoning Report. Two permits were issued since March 10. The ZC will meet on April 25 in SC at 7:00 p.m. The BZA will meet on April 18 if necessary. The Quarterly Zoning meeting will be held on April 4 at 7:00 p.m. in the SC.

On behalf of Randolph Township, Sue offered our heartfelt condolences to the Culver and Ray families.

### Public Comment

Walt asked about Bird Sanctuary. Sue stated that no decision has been made. Walt asked around to help with the Bird Sanctuary but no one is interested in working on it. Walt asked if the township obtained an estimate for the cement work at the gazebo. He feels it would tie in with Sarchione Ford. Roger stated that nothing would likely be done until this time next year.

Rick asked about the county's responsibility to fix the corners. Sue commented that nothing is getting done unless we do it ourselves. Roger would like to send a formal letter to the Engineer's Office requesting that Waterloo Road between 224 and 44 be paved. No maintenance was performed in the past based on their finding that there was not enough traffic to justify the work. There is much more traffic now. John stated that no drives on this section because it is so bad. Larry recommended sending a letter to the Commissioners as well. Doug stated that it is good timing according to an article in the paper that money is available to repair county roads. There was discussion about maintenance, responsibilities, financial resources, and detriment to township and resident vehicles. Rick stated that there is still a problem with the parking lot at the post office. Every other business has their lot paved out to the road. Rick asked about sidewalks. There was discussion about the homeowner's responsibility to replace the sidewalk not the contractor. Walt verified this fact since it involved his property when the sewer was installed.

Rick asked about the charge to non-profit groups to use the buildings. Sue explained that some groups have abused their use of the buildings. We pay a cleaning person who spends a lot of cleaning up after some of these groups. Roger further commented that some non-profits come in and trash our building. Rick asked if the fee includes Moyer Field. Roger answered that it does not. Roger stated that we would like to renovate the buildings in the future but people need to take responsibility for their actions. Virginia asked about deposits. Roger asked Mary to explain. Mary stated that all money she receives needs to be deposited with 48 hours. We can only issue refund checks at meetings which means some people would have to wait a few weeks for their check.


Rick brought up for discussion some properties that are eyesores. Erin asked for addresses and stated that there is a process. Sue stated that Erin handles all complaints in a professional manner. Rick commended the township employees for doing a good job. Roger agreed with Rick.

Dave brought up a few items for discussion. He asked about curbside recycling. John commented that he does not have much to recycle and does not want to be billed for not using that service. Sue stated that residents strongly voiced their opinions against curbside recycling at a recycling meeting last year. There is only a minority of people who want it. Dave is discouraged that more recycle bins are not in township buildings. Dave brought up an issue for organic disposal for trees instead of open burning. Dave took a forester around the township looking for Emerald Ash disease. The ash trees will start dying soon but can be treated. Dave asked about repurposing old signs. Larry explained that he has some signs refaced. Dave asked who is in charge of the Community Garden project at the School Park as he would like to expand the program. Sue stated that it is the Garden Club. Dave commented that dead animal removal is still a concern. He asked that homeowners remove and bury dead animals from the sides of the roads.

Sue made a motion to go into Executive Session for a legal matter at 7:53 p.m. Roger seconded.  
RCV: Roger – yes; John – yes; Sue – yes.

Sue made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:11 p.m. Roger seconded. RCV: Roger – yes; John – yes; Sue – yes.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

  
Susan White, Chairman

  
Mary A. Rodenbucker, Fiscal Officer